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effective date and of the absence of any interest of North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam in the goods at all times on or since that date. Since the type of documents which would constitute satisfactory proof varies depending upon the facts of the particular case, it is not possible to state in advance the type of documents required. However, it has been found that affidavits, statements, invoices, and other documents prepared by manufacturers, processors, sellers or shippers cannot be relied on and are therefore not by themselves accepted by the Office of Foreign Assets Control as satisfactory proof of origin. Independent corroborating documentary evidence, such as insurance documents, bills of lading, etc., may be accepted as satisfactory proof.

[41 FR 16555, Apr. 20, 1976]

# § 500.550 Transactions related to information and informational materials.

- (a) All financial and other transactions directly incident to the importation or exportation of information or informational materials as defined in §500.332 of this part are authorized.
- (b) Transactions relating to the dissemination of information or informational materials are authorized, including remittance of royalties paid for information or informational materials that are reproduced, translated, subtitled, or dubbed. This section does not authorize the remittance of royalties or other payments relating to works not yet in being, or for marketing and business consulting services, or artistic or other substantive alteration or enhancements to information or informational materials, as provided in §500.206(c).

 $[54\ FR\ 5232,\ Feb.\ 2,\ 1989,\ as\ amended\ at\ 60\ FR\ 8934,\ Feb.\ 16,\ 1995]$ 

### § 500.551 Reimports.

Specific licenses are issued for reimportation of merchandise subject to §500.204 on proof of the export of the identical merchandise from the United States. Persons planning to export any such merchandise for exhibition, repair, or for any other purpose should first ascertain that reimportation will

be authorized. Generally, reimportation is authorized only if Customs Form 4455 was completed at the time of export.

[40 FR 7650, Feb. 21, 1975]

### § 500.552 Research samples.

Specific licenses are issued for importation of commodities subject to \$500.204 for bona fide research purposes in sample quantities only.

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## § 500.553 Prior contractual commitments not a basis for licensing.

Specific licenses are not issued on the basis that an unlicensed firm commitment or payment has been made in connection with a transaction prohibited by §500.204. Contractual commitments to engage in transactions subject to the prohibitions in §500.204 should not be made, unless the contract specifies that the transaction is authorized by a general license or that it is subject to the issuance of a specific Foreign Assets Control license.

[40 FR 7650, Feb. 21, 1975]

#### § 500.554 Gifts of North Korean, North Vietnamese, Cambodian, or South Vietnamese origin.

- (a) Except as stated in paragraph (b) of this section and in §500.550, specific licenses are not issued for the importation of North Korean, North Vietnamese, Cambodian, or South Vietnamese origin goods sent as gifts to persons in the United States or acquired abroad as gifts by persons entering the United States. However, licenses are issued, upon request, for the return of such goods to the donors in countries other than North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam.
- (b) Specific licenses are issued for the importation directly from North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam:
- (1) Of goods which are claimed by the importer to have been sent as a bona fide gift and
- (2) Of goods which are claimed to have been acquired in North Korea, North Viet-Nam, Cambodia, or South Viet-Nam as a bona fide gift, subject to the conditions that: